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In re Application of :  
Maeda, et al. :  
Application No. 10/006,265 :  
Filed: December 3, 2001 :  
Atty. Dkt. No.: 14875- :  
096001/C2-105DP1P :

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: LETTER REGARDING PTA

This letter is in response to the "LETTER REGARDING PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT," filed July 10, 2008. The Office thanks applicants for their good faith and candor in bringing this to our attention.

The Determination of Patent Term Adjustment mailed April 11, 2008 indicated that the above-identified application was entitled to a patent term adjustment ("PTA") of 401 days. Applicants indicate that this adjustment appears to be longer than appropriate because the Office neglected to assess a reduction in connection with the RCE filed June 21, 2006 and the IDS filed July 14, 2006. The issue fee was received July 10, 2008.

The correct Patent Term Adjustment ("PTA") at the time of the allowance is 286 days.

As reflected in the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment mailed April 11, 2008, an adjustment of 679 days can be attributed to the Office in accordance with 37 CFR 1.702(a)(1). As further reflected by the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment, the adjustment is properly reduced a total of 278 days for applicants' various delays.

However, as indicated by applicants, the Office failed to assess a reduction in connection with the RCE filed June 21, 2006. Therefore, the adjustment is further properly reduced 92 days in accordance with 37 CFR 1.704(b). The reduction commenced March 22, 2006, the day after the date that is three months after the date that the final Office action was mailed, and ended June 21, 2006, the date that the RCE was filed.

As indicated by applicants, the application is subject to further reduction of 23 days in connection with the supplemental reply (IDS) filed July 14, 2006. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.704(c)(8), the reduction commenced June 22, 2006, the day after the initial reply was filed, and ended July 14, 2006, the date that the IDS was filed.

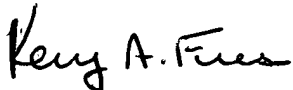
Accordingly, at the time of allowance, the application is entitled to an adjustment of 286 days (adjustments totalling 679 days less reductions totalling 286 days).

As applicants are advising us of a potential error in providing too much patent term adjustment in this application, no fee is due in connection with this matter.

The patent term adjustment indicated in the patent will include any additional patent term accrued pursuant to §§ 1.702(a)(4) and 1.702(b).

This application is being forward to the Office of Data Management for issuance of the patent.

Telephone inquiries specific to this decision should be directed to the Alesia M. Brown at (571) 272-3205.



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Enclosure: Copy of Adjustment PAIR Calculation

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**PTA Calculations for Application: 10/006265**

Application Filing Date:	12/03/2001	PTO Delay (PTO):	679
Issue Date of Patent:		Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	278
Post-Issue Petitions:	0	Total PTA (days):	286
PTO Delay Adjustment:	-115		

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